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Hay fever is no respecter of persons. Calvin Coolidge, former president of these United States of America spent the Fourth inside, nursing an aggravated case of that ailment which drives people to seek new climates. And it was incidentally his 60th birthday.

Boost your home merchant and your home banker, do business at home and help the local institutions get along. It will be better for you one and all. Start today on a program of saying good things about your neighbor and helping him get along.

Some three or four hundred deaths are given as the toll over the country for the last week-end and they include all the various means of being careless. There were drownings, auto accidents, explosions, tornadoes, gun plays and every thing else that makes news.

The political parties have about finished the job which comes every four years—writing a platform and selecting candidates. It will now be up to the voters. You can read the messages, hear the speeches and then vote as you believe you should. That's the great American privilege.

Republicans and Democrats can find out what some folks think of them by reading the speeches made in the prohibition convention at Indianapolis this week. Several speakers seem to have overstepped by being unnecessary and unfair attacks upon Mr. Hoover. Personal tirades do not convince and should not be used in political campaigns.

VITOLIZED OIL
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Come in for a Free Demonstration of Wallhide. See for yourself how Vitolized Oil stays in Wallhide First Coater to keep it alive and elastic indefinitely.

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Lee Hardware Co.

Late reports show several serious accidents as the result of celebrations over the Fourth, in Indiana, with one death. Charles Allen, 24, of Lawrenceburg, was killed when cannon exploded. A number of other accidents, more or less serious, occurred. The number of traffic accidents in the state however were less than usual over a double holiday period. There seems to be some improvement in this matter of being careful.

And now more worries. The special session of the Indiana legislature will convene tomorrow. The program includes a dozen good things, designed to lower the taxes and the cost of living in this state. If they will attend to that business without adding a lot of silly and useless laws, the session will be worth while and that's what Governor Leslie, Speaker Walter Myers and Lieutenant-Governor Bush will urge, but we will be surprised if they don't haggle and quarrel forty days and then do little of real value—and that will be disgraceful.

According to what we hear and what we read, the people generally like the Democratic ticket. Roosevelt and Garner appeal to every one as capable, courageous and worth-while leaders. Senator Johnson and Senator Borah, Senator Norris and other progressive Republicans speak kindly of them and the platform. They look like winners, but the election is four months away and there is much water to go over the dam before that day arrives. Governor Roosevelt struck a popular chord in his speech of acceptance and never was there a more dramatic closing to a national convention. The east seems to be falling in line and the west and south are already indicating preference to the Democratic line-up. The campaign is starting now and will be one of the most interesting ever held in this nation.

Enforcement of the new truck law was started Thursday and it ought not take long to determine whether the statute is workable. The enforcement is under the jurisdiction of the state highway commission, probably on the theory that it should be interested in the protection of the state's roads. Six loadometers, portable weighing machines, were to be placed in use, with the state police and the highway officials cooperating. The location of the weighing machines was kept secret. In addition to the weighing machines state police are equipped with tape measures, so that they can determine whether trucks come within the law. The law provides trucks shall not be over eight feet wide, twelve feet high, and forty feet long. This particular section ought to be easily enforced and trucks wider, higher or longer should be ordered off the road. One of the pet peeves of motorists have been those trucks as large as a bus car with one or two trailers attached which lumber along the roads where traffic is the heaviest. Enforcement of the law was delayed by a suit filed in Marion county, but with this disposed of the way was opened for action. The results will be interesting. Hartford City News.

Evangelistic services will continue to be held at the Monmouth auditorium for several days, it was announced today. Rev. P. W. Barker is the preacher and presents inspiring sermons each evening at 7:45 o'clock (C.S.T.). Rev. Baker preaches the full Gospel and gives short talks on Divine healing. Special singing is conducted by members of the Barker family.

Rev. Barker issued the following invitation: "If you are discouraged or sick come to these services and get help from the One who never fails, for Jesus said, 'Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest.' He also said, 'If there are any sick among you call the elders of the church and let them pray over you and anoint you with oil and the prayer of faith will raise you up.'

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Highlights in Life of "Texas Jack"



Here are a few interesting picture flashes in the life of Speaker's mother and father. Mr. and Mrs. John N. Garner, Sr. Upper right shows the Vice-Presidential nominee in his role as Speaker of the House of Representatives, and lower right shows him with his wife, who has acted as his secretary since he began his political career.

Where There is No Vision the People Perish

By REV. GILL ROBB WILSON

The founding of a republican form of government by our forebears was hailed as a new tide in the affairs of men. The idea that democracy would work was based upon the fundamental premise that citizens had intelligent interest in, and intelligent understanding of the functions of their own government.

With the passing of time our

population increased rapidly and

government became as far removed

from the people as ever it had been in the days of the Bourbons.

Powers and influences were born

and exerted by individuals and

sources which were unschooled and

undisciplined in the traditions of

the nation or in the political

philosophy of its founders. Bureaucracy and corruption in the

government, and degeneration in

the social institutions of the

country ensued. Almost anybody

with an idea that seemed romantic or idealistic could get a hearing.

Facts and reason appear to

have no bearing. Reformers picked

out their pet hobbies and, riding

them, tilted against the very

forces that made their life, liberty

and pursuit of happiness possible.

To some of them peace, or what

they called peace, became the

most desirable of all human

reforms. This peace however

was not to be. It was to be

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